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Taiwan Patent Publication 383460 to Lin et al., "Dual Damascene Method," discloses a dual damascene method to cover a layer of photoresist on the dielectric and employ the mask for exposure in which the mask comprises three parts.

Taiwan Patent Publication 368732 discloses a method of fabricating a dual damascene structure to reduce the steps of photolithography and increase precision.

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